



## PRELIMINARY DRAFT ALTERNATIVES RECREATION RESOURCES

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### No Action Alternative

- Recreational Project Plans for all Backcountry Byways would be developed. Coordinate with state and local agencies on signage for Red Desert viewpoint from Steamboat Mountain Dugway and Chicken Springs overlook.
- Site Plan for the off-road vehicle (ORV) open area parking lot expansion and camping facilities would be developed.
- Interpretive Prospectus Plans would be developed, as necessary, for Crookston Ranch, Boars Tusk, Wild Horse Viewing Area, Oregon Buttes, Honeycomb Buttes, Steamboat Mountain – Greater Sand Dunes, National Historic Trails, White Mountain Petroglyphs.
- Dispersed camping would be allowed within 200 feet of water sources except where necessary to protect other resources. Areas would be closed to camping if resource damage occurs.
- Special Use permits and Plans of Operation would be required for all commercial operators and outfitters.

### Alternative 1

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- Facilities would not be expanded at the ORV open area.
- Interpretive Prospectus Plans would be developed, as necessary, for Crookston Ranch, Boars Tusk, Wild Horse Viewing Area, Oregon Buttes, Honeycomb Buttes, Steamboat Mountain – Greater Sand Dunes, National Historic Trails, White Mountain Petroglyphs.
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## **Alternative 2**

- Recreational Project Plans for all Backcountry Byways would be developed. Coordinate with state and local agencies on signage for Red Desert viewpoint from Steamboat Mountain Dugway, Chicken Springs overlook, Steamboat Mountain ACEC, Oregon Buttes, Honeycomb Buttes, and Indian Gap.
- Facilities would not be expanded at the ORV open area.
- Interpretive Prospectus Plans would be developed for Crookston Ranch, Boars Tusk, Wild Horse Viewing Area, Oregon Buttes, Honeycomb Buttes, Steamboat Mountain – Greater Sand Dunes, National Historic Trails, White Mountain Petroglyphs, and Native American sites including Indian Gap.
- Dispersed camping would be allowed in designated areas only. Parties of 5 or more would require a permit and must camp in group areas.
- Special recreation use permits for managed activities in the JMH planning area would be issued and renewed and fees would be collected through the Rock Springs Field Office. A Plan of Operation would be required for all commercial operators and outfitters.

## **Alternative 3**

- Recreational Project Plans for all Backcountry Byways would be developed. Coordinate with state and local agencies on signage for Red Desert viewpoint from Steamboat Mountain Dugway, Chicken Springs overlook, Steamboat Mountain ACEC, Oregon Buttes, Honeycomb Buttes, and Indian Gap.
- Facilities would not be expanded at the ORV open area.
- Interpretive Prospectus Plans would be developed for Crookston Ranch, Boars Tusk, Wild Horse Viewing Area, Oregon Buttes, Honeycomb Buttes, Steamboat Mountain – Greater Sand Dunes, National Historic Trails, White Mountain Petroglyphs, and Native American sites including Indian Gap.
- Dispersed camping would be allowed in designated areas only. Parties of 10 or more would require a permit and must camp in group areas.
- Special recreation use permits for managed activities in the JMH planning area would be issued and renewed through the Rock Springs Field Office. A Plan of Operation would be required for all commercial operators and outfitters.